



More than 250 remain mobilized as 2002 opens

by Lt. Col. John W. Rice, State HQ PAO

For the first time since the Gulf War, the unit began a New Year with more than 250 of its members mobilized and more than 150 personnel deployed.

The deployers, most of whom missed the Christmas holidays at home, were scattered in various locations overseas and in the United States. The largest group was overseas at "Base X," where more than 60 personnel were supporting two jets as the 157th served as lead unit for an Air National Guard refueling task force. Unit commander Col. Richard P. Martell was leading this task force that included units from the 155th ARW, Lincoln, Neb. and the 128th ARW, Milwaukee.

The three units had experienced moderate taskings at first, but all that seemed to be changing.

"We originally got some Base Grams that indicated missions were fairly stagnant," said Wing Vice Commander Col.

Carolyn J. Protzmann, during the January UTA. "But they're very busy right now."

Back home, with two aircraft deployed, the unit was flying about one-third the number of Noble Eagle fighter CAP missions than it had immediately after 9/11. That pace could change at the end of March when the 157th's lead role at Base X ends. Even so, the unit will continue to maintain a 30 to 35-member package at Base X for as long as operations there continue.

"No question our people are giving us 110 percent," Protzmann said. "But as this gets more routine, people don't have a sense of what our new order of business will be. They want to know, among other things, how long we'll be flying CAP missions and how long we will continue to rotate into Base X. We also have people scattered far and wide. It's a stressful situation."

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Scene from an earlier departure. The New Year opened with many still deployed in support of various war efforts. (NHANG photo by SSgt. Chris Tessier)

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Thoughts on the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

By Col. Richard P. Martell



Speaking as one of our deployed members, it gave me great pride to hear the wonderful news about the 157th Air Refueling Wing being

recognized as an Air Force Outstanding unit! It is long overdue and it caps off the string that includes the Rodeo trophy, the American Petroleum Institute award for POL, the numerous awards our recruiting and retention staff have won, the George W. Bush award for Bruce Yelle and his employer, and the 21st Air Force award.

To be honest, it's nice to win these awards, but the thing that brings me the greatest pride - and it continues to be validated every day

here - is how the members of the 157th care for each other and how they work with others. Somehow, somewhere, this became part of our culture and we can never lose this passion. When I look at us, I see America and Americans at their best!

The most telling piece of who and what we are is with this short story:

When I first heard the news about the 157th winning the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, I shared that information immediately with our unit members who were on staff, here, at that time. An Air Force member, not from our unit, came to me some minutes later and said "Having watched your folks in action for the last few months, I can see how you won this award. You deserve it!"

That sums up how I feel about it. You worked hard, you did your best, you deserve it! Thank you.



Fill'er Up. Aircraft Refuelers at manas International Airport, Kyrgyzstan, Afghanistan prepare to refuel a C-5 Galaxy Cargo aircraft. This aircraft transported equipment to the 86th Expenditinary Contingency Response Group, deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. This group is preparing the airporet for the basing of follow-on forces. (Photo by SSgt. S.C. Felds)



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Mobilized

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To counter this problem, the command staff is making an extra effort to inform people about what's happening as quickly as possible. For example, Protzmann stresses the unit is still on the hook for an October IG of our SIOP, T-SART and Initial Response capabilities. Right now, the August UTA will be used to train for this and probably one other UTA before that.

"We're trying to anticipate what's going to happen," Protzmann said, "and talk about it."

Meanwhile, the war-related movement of personnel continues.

Nine full-time and traditional Air Traffic Controllers were deployed early last month. Their mission was to fill positions at Air Force bases throughout the United States. A swap-out involving about 30 Base X personnel was scheduled just prior to the February UTA. And the unit stood ready to react to whatever the current world situation brings.

"More than ever, as our annual plan indicates, we are seeing that the business of our business is readiness," Protzmann said. "As we step up to the plate to meet new challenges, it becomes more obvious that we need to have our people prepared." "At the same time," Protzmann added, "We can all take a great sense of pride in what the unit has done and continues to do both at home and abroad."

Two views of the President. Pictured here, and above, President George W. Bush, delivers a speech on education reform at the University of New Hampshire. (NHANG photos by CMSgt. Steve Hodgson)



Presidential visit involves wing-wide effort

by Lt. Col. John W. Rice, State HQ PAO

President George W. Bush flew into Pease last month en route to a speech at the University of New Hampshire. Mr. Bush was here to promote his new \$27 billion education initiative. While only in the Granite State for a few hours, the visit required a Wing-wide effort and days of advance preparation.

More than 40 NHANGers were directly involved in making the visit happen. Preparation began January 3 with the arrival of the presidential Marine helicopters. Public Affairs, Logistics, Wing Plans, Services and Security Police were all needed to support those aircraft, Air Force One and provide press liaison.

According to Wing Vice Commander Col. Carolyn Protzmann, POTUS support (that stands for President of the United States for you laymen out there), meant tight coordination between the White House, Secret Service and the U.S. Air Force. When Air Force One touched down at 12:50 p.m. on January 8, the flight-line was buzzing with 157th and U.S. Air Force security personnel complete with bomb sniffing dogs. Protzmann was part of a small delegation on hand to greet the president.

Bush motored to UNH by limousine. While most of the unit only saw TV clips of his speech, a representative 157th delegation were guests at the event. Afterwards, the president helicoptered directly to Boston.



Are you ready to deploy?

by TSgt. Diane Kaczmarczyk

The one constant in life is change! Our world has changed, therefore many people since 9/11/01 have deployed to locations all over the world. Are you ready? This should be a question each of us asks ourselves. No longer can we sit back and hope that we will not be asked to deploy, nor are we in some cases being given a choice. If you are not fully trained and qualified to deploy, you may cause the Wing to shortfall mission requirements that are important.

Why you ask? Simple, as a member of the 157th Air Refueling Wing, each of us contributes and is an integral part of the overall mission. We each have an awesome responsibility. Let's get ready!

Have you asked; "What is it I need in order to deploy?" If you haven't, I have, so I thought I'd share with you what it takes. But each of us must take personnel responsibility for our own readiness. Don't leave it to the Unit Deployment Manager, Supervisor, or even the Commander. This is our individual responsibility. They can and will help us accomplish what it takes and answer questions we may have. But it is up to the individual.

What training do we need and show as current? We all need to accomplish the following:

- NBC - Nuclear and Biological chemical training
- EOR - Explosive Ordnance Recognition Training
- SABC - Self aid and Buddy care
- LOAC - Law of armed conflict
- 9 MM
- M-16
- Weapons Familiarization
- SATE Training with Certificate
- TQT - Task Qualification Test
- AFMAN 10-100 Test
- Force Protection

What else do I need to have with me upon deployment?

- Current ID Card
- Dog Tags
- Emergency Data Card DD form 93

- Leave and earning statement, DFAS 700
 - Shot record
 - AFMAN 10-100
 - Geneva Convention Card for noncombatants
 - Government drivers license
 - Line Badge, USAF Restricted area Badge
 - Prescription glasses/Mask inserts
- What other items should I accomplish in preparation for deploying?
- Double check your Security Clearance status
 - Dependents ID Card
 - Will/Power of Attorney
 - Dependent Certification, AF Form 357
 - Register your Car on base

These requirements are our responsibility. Once we have been identified as a deployer we will be behind the power curve if we have not completed our readiness training. This may constitute

having to take extra days off from your civilian job prior to deployment for the training. Not to mention that when you don't schedule your training in advance you force some agencies on base to drop what they are doing and help you.

Preplanning can make a deployment more efficient and less of a burden for everyone involved. No one is looking to punish or make your life miserable. It's just a simple fact that these are the requirements that have to be accomplished. We all have a specific job that we are trained in, so lets get this readiness training and accomplish our mission. Besides it may just save our life! The goal should be 100% of the wing trained! Bottom line let's get scheduled for our readiness training and do it!



These guys are taking the time to ensure they are ready by working off some requirements. Mabey you should too. (NHANG photo by SSgt. Chris Tessier)

Defense bill authorizes beefier pay hike, more benefits

WASHINGTON (AFP) -- The largest military pay raise in 20 years and new benefits for Guardsmen are among the provisions of the Fiscal 2002 National Defense Authorization Act.

Signed into law Dec. 28 by President George W. Bush, the act authorizes across-the-board and targeted pay raises ranging from 5 to 10 percent with a minimum 6-percent pay hike for enlisted people and a minimum 5 percent for officers. Last year, military personnel got an across-the-board raise of 3.7 percent in January with additional targeted raises in July.

In 2001, officials from the Department of Defense and Office of Personnel Management said the government should help federal employees pay for health care if they are called to active duty for



The Finance folks are always ready to help. Here, SSgt. Marlene Crowder reviews the records of a member. (NHANG photo by SSgt. Chris Tessier)

more than 30 days in support of a contingency operation.

As a result, this year's bill permits federal agencies to pay the employee and government portions of Federal Employee Health Benefit Program premiums, so families of called-up reservists continue to receive affordable medical care.

Congress wanted to stimulate participation in funeral honors duty, so it extended to reservists the same rights, benefits and protections received for performing inactive-duty for training.

Federal employees gained the option of using military leave to perform funeral duty as reservists, and retirees may serve on funeral honors details and receive payment.

Another perk allows federal employees of the executive branch, military people and their family members to retain for personal use promotional items received as a result of using travel or transportation services paid for by the government.

Some benefits offered by defense bills are not immediate because DOD, Air Force and Air National Guard officials must implement policies and programs before these benefits are delivered to Guard members. In some cases, Congress issues additional clarification in later defense bills.

Chaplain's Corner



by *Chaplain Dan Randall*

As the 60th anniversary of Pearl Harbor was observed last year, there were many comparisons made between December 7, 1941, and September 11, 2001. Both were tragic and devastating events. Both quickly snuffed out many lives. Both forever changed individuals and families across America. Both stole the innocence and naivety of our culture.

But maybe the most obvious similarity was that they were both surprise attacks.

Surprise attacks expose our vulnerability. They pull the rug out from under us, leaving us struggling to recover. They challenge our courage and resolve. They cause us to question everything. They open our eyes to the value of life.

Many of us know what it's like to experience a surprise attack. Think about it...

- ...malignancy
- ...pink slip
- ...betrayal
- ...infidelity
- ...paralysis
- ...relocation
- ...defeat

We withstand and recover from our own surprise attacks, just as we have Pearl Harbor and Nine-Eleven... by leaning in to one another and trusting that, in time, healing will come. With God and the support of those around us, we can and will survive.

EARN CREDIT FOR WHAT YOU KNOW!

2002 CLEP/DANTES/Excelsior College Testing Schedule

20 March 02
19 June 02
18 September 02
18 December 02

Two testing sessions each day: 0800 & 1300. Members of the ANG and spouses test FREE. College-age dependent children may test for a fee.

Call 430-3521 to schedule an exam.

If you have questions about the CLEP, DANTES, Excelsior College examination program, call 430-3521, or e-mail at catherine.porter@nhpeas.ang.af.mil.

Platelet donation takes giving blood an extra step

by Col. Mike Horne with Lt. Col. John W. Rice

There's a new way to donate blood that takes giving the gift of life one step further. The process is called Apheresis or Pheresis, medical speak for the donation of platelets and plasma. It's an option that allows people to donate as often as every two weeks rather than the eight weeks required between whole blood donations.

A small group of NHANGers has chosen this method to donate their blood, or more accurately, blood products.

But first things first. Only five percent of eligible blood donors actually give. That may be one reason why President Bush decided to honor those who donate by declaring January National Volunteer Donor Month.

The NHANG family has a distinguished record for blood donation. Many members faithfully seek out a blood drive every eight-plus weeks. The 157th also has a long history of hosting American Red Cross blood drives at Pease International Tradeport - the most recent one at Redhook Brewery on

January 24th.

So why take that extra step? Platelet donations go to cancer patients with blood diseases. Their platelets either don't replenish themselves or have been destroyed by drugs used to kill cancerous cells. Pheresis provides a better match for patients. It also exposes them to only one donor's blood.

The process takes no more than an hour. Donors begin by completing a medical history form and quick mini-physical. The rest is a lot like a simple donation. A line is connected to one arm for blood to be drawn. But, instead of flowing into a collection bag, blood is pumped into a centrifuge where platelets are separated out. The processed blood is then returned to the donor. This happens either through a second line into the other arm, "the two-arm process" or through the same arm, "the one-arm process," using the draw line.

Pheresis donations are conducted at ARC centers located in Manchester, Portland or Burlington, Vt. and many sites in Massachusetts, including Boston.

Being a pheresis donor is something

special, according to Col. Mike Horne, HQ NHANG. Because donations are done through scheduled appointments and usually at the same location, donors develop a special relationship with the nursing staff. There's a sense of camaraderie, much like in the NHANG. Nurses know who needs an extra blanket or hot water bottle to stay warm and other donor idiosyncrasies.

Horne has been donating platelets for about 10 years after being introduced to pheresis by CMSgt (ret.) Jackie Collette. She had been donating platelets for many years. MSgt. Marc Gagnon, 157ARW/JA, now deployed at Base X, is also a regular. TSgt. Victoria Catano, 157th ARW/CC, joined the ranks of pheresis donors last month.

"I was never aware of this program until recently," said Catano. "My grandfather had a form of leukemia and he had to have blood transfusions on a regular basis, so doing this is especially important to me, although I have been giving blood for a long time."

What about you?



In Memoriam



MSgt. Real Beaulieu, 71, RET, 133 ARS

MSgt. Real Beaulieu, 71, passed away on December 29, 2001 at Eliot Hospital in Manchester after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Manchester on July 9, 1930 and was a lifelong resident of that city. He graduated from West High School in 1949. He served in the United States Air Force from 1951-1955. He enlisted in the NHANG on June 30, 1956 and was activated for the Berlin Crisis in 1961-1962.

During his 35 year military career, he served as a crew chief, flight engineer, and boom operator.

In 1968, he was awarded a commendation medal for heroism. He retired from the NHANG in 1987.

Our condolences are extended to his wife, Agnes Beaulieu, of Hooksett, two daughters, Judy Bergeron and Susan Bigg, both of Hooksett, two sons, Philip Beaulieu of Manchester, and Alan Beaulieu of Hooksett.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, Memorial Giving Program, 360 Route 101, Unit 8, Bedford, N.H. 03110-5032.

SMSgt. Steven Harrington, Jr. 52, CES

SMSgt. Steve Harrington, 52, passed away suddenly on December 19, 2001 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital after an unexpected illness.

He was born on January 24, 1949 in Lynn, Mass., and grew up in Peabody. He had resided in Exeter for the past four years. Prior to that, he lived in Portsmouth for more than 20 years.

He served in the United States Air Force from 1969-1977. He enlisted with the NHANG on May 28, 1977 in the Civil Engineering Squadron. He served as an operations specialist for several years and was a full-time technician.

He enjoyed riding motorcycles, working around the house, and collecting miniature houses.

Our condolences are extended to his wife, Katherine Harrington of Exeter, his children, Christopher Harrington and Shannon Harrington of Portsmouth, and his stepchildren, Bill Robare of Raymond, Danielle Robare of Epping, Nicole West of Exeter, and Rusty West of Exeter.

Donations made be made in his memory to the United Way of the Greater Seacoast, 71 International Drive, Portsmouth, N.H. 03801.

A Boy Scout's inspiration

Editor's note-We received this letter from Kate Bashline, Secretary of the Hampton NH BSA Troop 177. As Kate describes below, this letter is far more than just a heartfelt message.

Dear Soldiers,

At our recent boy scout meeting we signed Christmas cards to enclose with the Freedom Kits that are being collected by the NH Seacoast Red Cross and delivered to you by the NH National Guard. One scout had the idea that a letter should be written which could be read to all the soldiers. This boy did not think that he could write the letter as he struggles in school and actually with most things. He was told it was a great idea. He decided to try. He worked diligently and determinedly without ever getting distracted. This is uncharacteristic of him. His finished letter so impressed us. He felt that someone else should copy it over to improve it since he couldn't do it 'the best'. After encouragement that is was fine the way it was, he indeed decided on his own to go back and make it better. We think this was an inspired moment for us all as this young man boldly and sincerely read his letter to his peers. Some in the group didn't think he had it in him. Please accept this wonderful tribute to what you represent to all of us, so perfectly exemplified by this thirteen-year old boy scout, Josh Conway. We all felt that no one could improve on what he had demonstrated, all by his own effort and sincerity. Thank you for all that you do and all that you mean. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Kate Bashline, Secretary
Hampton, NH BSA Troop 177

	To All The Soldiers
	Thank you all for your hard work and efforts to rid our world of terrorism. From the deepest of our hearts thank you for yer heroic sacrifice. To us you are all herouse. God bless you all and may you have the best cristmas ever.
	From Troop 177 Josh Conway
	(revised letter)

Air Force Association Scholarship Dinner Meeting

Speaker, Col. (RET) Richard Graham author of SR-71 Revealed: The Inside Story

From its top-secret roots with the CIA in the 1960s to its 1995 reactivation into the Air Force, the SR-71 Blackbird is undoubtedly one of the most incredible aircraft in the history of aviation.

Col. Graham was a SR-71 pilot for seven years and later became a SR-71 instructor pilot and Squadron Commander for the 1st Strategic Reconnaissance Squadron. He was the director of Program Integration at the Pentagon and ultimately the 9th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing Commander at Beale AFB. Col. Graham will combine his perspectives from the cockpit and the office to tell the SR-71 story with an understanding held only by the program's insiders.

Details

Where: The Yard Restaurant, 1211 S. Mammoth Road, Route 28
Manchester, New Hampshire (603) 623-3545

When: March 13, 2002

Time: 6 p.m. Social, 7 p.m. Dinner and Presentation

Cost: \$30.00 per person

RSVP with payment to: Dave West, 92 Robinson Road, Bow, New Hampshire 03304-3820

(RSVP must be received no later than 27 February 2002. First come, first served, Seating is limited)

Book signing by Col. Graham following the dinner presentation.

All proceeds support the Brig. Gen. Thyng Aerospace Education Fund and the Brig. Gen. Thyng memorial.

Family news, notes, and offers

by Robin Flockerzi, Lead Wing Volunteer

Recently, I have had the opportunity to talk with many families of guard members. I have found that they do not know a contact person to call if they have a guard related question.

That is why the New Hampshire Air National Guard Family Readiness Group Directory is this month's focus.

To use this list, which appears on page 9, you need to know the Unit that your guard member serves with. Find the Unit listing on the directory. The Commanding Officer (CO) is listed first. Then the Military Point of Contact (MPOC), who is usually a higher ranking, full-time enlisted person currently involved with the unit's needs. Finally, the Point of Contact (POC) is listed, a civilian volunteer who is involved with the unit on a regular basis.

If you have a question that is not an emergency and is guard related, try to contact the POC first. They will relay the information to the appropriate person, who will assist you. If you receive no response or no POC listed (we need volunteers!), please call or email me. I'm in the top portion of the list under Lead Wing Volunteer.

In the event of an emergency, please contact:

Emergency Hotline Number: 1800-472-0328

This number is manned 24 hours per day/7 days per week.

I hope you have found this article useful. As always, we welcome your suggestions, comments, and ideas, especially about teen or kid programs, you would like to see organized in your Family Readiness Group. Without our volunteers, we could not provide this most excellent service.

See page 9 for the New Hampshire Air National Guard Family Readiness Group Directory



Free admission to theme parks from Anheuser Busch

Disney World and Disneyland Salute the Armed Forces with Discounts. From January to the end of April, "Disney's Armed Forces Salute" will offer discounts at both the Walt Disney World Resort in Florida and the Disneyland Resort in California. Active U.S. military personnel, with proper U.S. military identification, are eligible, including active members of the United States Coast Guard and activated members of the National Guard or Reservists. At Walt Disney World Resort, each active member of the U.S. military may obtain one complimentary seven-day ticket during the offer period (Jan. 1, 2002, to April 30, 2002). U.S. active military personnel are also eligible for discounts at select Disney resorts, starting with a \$49 per night rate (plus tax) at Disney's All-Star Resorts. At the Disneyland Resort, each active servicemember may purchase at a 50 percent discount tickets to the Disneyland Resort theme parks for up to five friends and family members. Additionally, the servicemember accompanying the party will receive the same ticket for free. For more on these and other discounts, call (407) 939-7424 (Disney World) or (714) 781-4565 (Disneyland), or contact your base ticket office.

APO mailing information

The 13 ounce restriction has been lifted from APOs 09309, 09310, 09311, 09316, 09317, 09345, 09350, 09351, 09395. It may take weeks before all the 38,000 post offices are made aware of the change. If a postal clerk refuses to accept a parcel due to a size restriction, ask them to check the most recent edition of the postal bulletin in the conditions of APO mailings. This section contains a list of all APO restrictions. The restrictions pertaining to letter class only are "X and Z". If this does not correct the problem, ask the clerk to call the nearest location with the POS 1 to verify the restriction is lifted. If still not successful, call the Military Postal Service Agency hotline at 1-800-810-6098 and advise of the location and ZIP of the post office refusing to accept the parcel. MPSA will contact HQ USPS who will in-turn contact that post office.

Any service member websites

The Navy has developed a Web-based alternative to benefit members of all Services. The program can be reached at the Navy LIFELines Services Network at <http://www.LIFELines2000.org>, <http://www.LIFELines2000.org>, or <http://AnyServiceMember.Navy.mil>, <http://AnyServiceMember.Navy.mil>. Those who want to send a message of support will find a simple process for delivering messages at these sites. The "Any Servicemember" program allows participants to select from one or all branches of the military. To receive a message of support, servicemembers will log onto the Web site and choose messages for their branch of Service and home state. Those sending a message who wish to receive a response may include a return e-mail address. Since all messages are viewed on the Web, the military's regular e-mail service is not affected. The "Any Servicemember" mail program began during Operation Desert Storm in 1990, and continued to grow during operations in Bosnia, starting in 1995.

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OUR RECRUITING TEAM - 1-800-257-9368

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by TSgt Dianna Sawyer

Our Newest Members!!!

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ATC

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MXS

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A1C Gregory Pelletier, Security Forces
A1C Mathew Winn, Security Forces

THIS FISCAL YEAR'S "BONUS" CAREER FIELDS

(call the recruiting office for complete details!)

- 2A6X2 Aerospace Ground Equipment
- 3E3X1 Structural (Civil Engineering)
- 2A6X6 Electro/Environmental
- 2S0X1 Inventory Management
- 2A5X1 Aircraft Maintenance
- 2A6X4 Aircraft Fuel Systems
- 2A6X1 Aerospace Propulsion
- 1C1X1 Air Traffic Control
- 3P0X1 Security Forces
- 2E0X1 Ground Radar
- 2E1X3 Ground Radio
- 2W0X1 Munitions
- 3E9X1 Readiness
- 3M0X1 Services
- 2F0X1 Fuels

Quote of the Month

" The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor"

- Vince Lombardi

We also have numerous other AFSC openings! Contact your recruiting and retention team for the up to the minute accurate vacancy information!

Happy Valentine's Day

The recruiting team hopes everyone has a great Valentines Day! Just think, we are getting closer to spring!

Good News!! The Air National Guard Bureau has approved the continuation of the National Referral program. Those individuals referring someone who enlisted last calendar year will be receiving their prizes soon. A new tally has started for this year. To remind you - 1 Enlistment you will get an ANG backpack, 3 Enlistments you get an ANG Jacket and for 5 Enlistments you get a Franklin Planner! Please pass the word.

News Bulletin! The new Air National Guard website is up and running! www.goang.com This is an awesome source of information about the Air National Guard benefits. An individual can select NH and it shows what jobs we have vacancies for and, clearly explains each of our AFSCs and shows the civilian equivalent! It has all sorts of good information. Check it out and give it out.

For reference here's the Air National Guard telephone number;
1-800-TOGO-ANG.

USO Info

The USO in Boston provides excellent services for the military members in the area to include Pease.

You may already be aware of this, however there maybe some troops out there who aren't aware.

Check out the USO web site link and click on "whats hot" to get the most up to date list on services.

www.usonewengland.org

Calculate Your National Guard and Reserve Drill Pays

Military.com has updated its National Guard and Reserve drill pay calculators to reflect changes in drill pay for the Fiscal Year 2002.

Enter your pay grade and cumulative years of service in the calculators, and you will be given your pay totals for one and four drill periods.

The Reserve Drill Pay Calculator can be visited at

<http://www.military.com/Resources/ResourceFileView?file>

=Reserve_Pay_Drill.htm,

and the National Guard Drill Pay

Calculator can be found at

http://www.military.com/Resources/ResourceFileView?file=Guard_Pay_Dri

ll.htm

Dental benefits for Retirees

The TRICARE Retiree Dental (TRDP) Program--the only dental benefits program authorized by the government for Uniformed Services retirees--will soon be moving into its fourth year. The TRDP, which is administered by Delta Dental Plan of California in partnership with the U.S. Department of Defense, offers affordable dental benefits to retirees of the uniformed services and their family members throughout the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, Canada and the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Over 600,000 people are currently enrolled in the TRDP, which allows subscribers to obtain covered services from

any licensed dentist within the service area and to further limit their out-of-pocket costs when using any one of about 25,000 DeltaSelect USA Network dentists.

In October 2000, the TRDP added coverage for cast crowns, bridges, full and partial dentures, orthodontia and dental accidents to its basic package of preventive and restorative services. These changes make the TRDP one of the most complete and competitively priced dental plans available outside of a traditional, employer-sponsored program.

Those interested in more information about the TRDP, including eligibility and enrollment, may visit the TRDP web site at www.ddpdelta.org or call toll-free 1 (888) 838-8737.

Promotions

To Airman

Denise M. Perriccio STU FLT

To Staff Sergeant

Shawna K. Brabandt LGS

To Master Sergeant

Mark. R. Lebel MXS
Timothy M. Pellowe MXS

To Lieutenant Colonel

Paul Hutchinson ARS
John R. Marcoullier ARS

Menu

Saturday, February 9

Main Line

Baked Chicken and Rice
Chicken Gravy
Peas and carrots mixed

Snack line

Italian Sausage on Roll W/ peppers
and onions
Chips

Assorted desserts
Assorted Beverages

Sunday, February 10

Main Line

Meatloaf
Mashed Potato with Gravy
Waxed Beans

Snackline

Hot open faced turkey sandwich
Chips

Assorted desserts
Assorted beverages

Super Salad Bar available on both Saturday and Sunday.
Takeout available by request.

Menu subject to change without notice!!!!



Cooking up something good. ???
The Services folks are well trained in many techniques that make every meal memorable. (NHANG photo by SSgt. Chriss Tessier)



Guard Talk

by MSgt. Valerie Morgan

Guard Talk welcomes your submissions. if you have something interesting or a special event that you'd like to share, please give me a call at tel: 430-3507,

fax: 430-2456 or drop a line to 157 ARW/DPMH, 302 Newmarket Street, Pease ANGB, NH 03803-0157E-mail address: valerie.morgan@NHPEAS.ANG.AF.MIL

* Warmest wishes to **Patty-linn** and **Sean Cogswell (MXS)** on the birth of their son, **Caven Josef**, who was born on November 19 at 4:15 p.m. **Baby Caven** weighed in at 7 lbs. 6 oz. and measured 20 ¼ inches long. They have another son, **Connor**, who will turn 2 in June. **Sean** is assigned to the Electric Shop in the Maintenance Squadron. The family resides in Kittery, Maine.

* Congratulations to **Heather** and **Troy Kennett (LS)** on the birth of their son, **Aiden Matthew**, who arrived on November 16th. **Baby Aiden** weighed in at 7 lbs. 6 oz. and measured 19 ½ inches long. **Aiden** has two older brothers, **Corey**, 8, and **Zachary**, 2. The family moved into their new home in Sharon, Vermont, on December 23rd, just in time for the holidays! **Troy** is a 6th grade teacher at Sharon Elementary School. **Heather** is employed as a licensed nurses aide. **Troy** is assigned as a customer service rep in the Logistics Squadron.

* Warmest wishes are extended to **Jennifer** and **Daryl McPhee (ARS)** on the birth of their second son, **Dakota Austin**, who was born on December 7th. **Baby Dakota** weighed in at 9 lbs. 13 ozs.

and measured 21 ¼ inches long. **Daryl** told us that **Dakota** was moving around so much an hour after his birth, the nurses were having a hard time trying to measure him! Big brother **Hunter**, 4, is looking forward to getting acquainted with his new little brother. **Daryl** is employed full-time by Pargon Construction in Orford. Militarily, he is assigned to the Aircrew Life Support Section in the 133rd Air Refueling Squadron. The family resides in Monroe.

* Please welcome **Brett David Hersom**, newborn baby son of **Stephanie** and **Chad Hersom (ATC)** who made his arrival on December 29. **Baby Brett** weighed in at 7 lbs. 8 oz. and measured 19 ¾ inches long. He has a big sister, **Hailey**, 2, who is mighty impressed with the new addition to the family. **Chad** is employed full-time by the NH Department of Corrections in Concord. The Hersom's make their home in Milton.

* Congratulations to **Michelle** and **Brian Elbert (ATC)** on the birth of their son, **Kyle Aaron**, who arrived on January 2 at 9:14 a.m. **Baby Kyle** weighed in at 6 lbs. 15 oz. He was the first baby of the New Year born in Rochester and the family was

featured in Foster's Daily Democrat. **Kyle** has an older brother, **Ethan**, 3, who is very excited about his new little brother. **Brian** is the full-time commander of the Air Traffic Control Squadron. The **Elbert** family moved to New Hampshire from Texas a year ago.

* Warmest wishes to **Eric** and **Netha Leclerc (MSF)** on the birth of their second child, a daughter, **Haven Anne**, who was born on January 5th. **Baby Haven** weighed in at 6 lbs 12 oz and measured 18 inches long. **Baby Haven** has a big sister, **Carrington**, 19 months, who just loves her new little sister. **Eric** is employed full-time by National Engineering in Bedford. **Netha**, currently on maternity leave, works temporarily for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Bedford. The family resides in Raymond.

* We heard from **Gerry Juneau (RET MXS)** recently. He and his wife, **Annette**, are living in Brooksville, Florida now, on the west coast, not too far from where **Pat** and **Norm Brown (RET MXS)** live. **Gerry** and **Annette** sold their home in Dover about a year ago, after living there for some 33 years. **Gerry** says he is enjoying retirement and playing the stock market.

THAT'S ALL FOR THIS TIME, FOLKS! SEE YOU IN MARCH!

Drill Dates

February 9, 10

March 1, 2, 3

April 13, 14

May 4, 5

June 8, 9

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